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Subject: FW FAR Case 2001-014

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Dear Sir:

> CAS, Inc. requests that the FAR Council repeal the "Blacklisting Rule"
> based on the following points:

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- 1. It is not clear that the added categories of covered laws and implementing certifications are justified.
- > 2. It is questionable that the rule provides contracting officers with sufficient guidelines to prevent arbitrary implementations.
 - 3. It is not a cost effective approach.
 - 4. Sufficient leadtime was not allowed for adequate implementation of the rule.
- 5. Suspensio and debarment procedures are in place to deal with the issue of undesirable contractors.
- 6. The Blacklisting Rule appears to be arbitrary and capricious.
- > 7. The rule is viewed as contrary to law because it could deny contractors the right to due process and is vague.
- > 8. The FAR Council has not properly evaluated the Rule's impact > on small businesses and imposes a significant paperwork burden.

> Thank you for your consideration.

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